

### Leading Causes of Death by Age Group, Race/Ethnicity All Males-United States, 2008\*

Rank	All Races	Hispanic	Black	White	American Indian/Alaska Native	Asian/Pacific Islander
1	Heart disease 25.4%	Heart disease 20.2%	Heart disease 24.0%	Heart disease 25.6%	Heart disease 18.7%	Cancer 27.0%
2	Cancer 24.1%	Cancer 19.9%	Cancer 22.4%	Cancer 24.3%	Cancer 17.8%	Heart disease 24.2%
3	Unintentional injuries 6.4%	Unintentional injuries 10.9%	Unintentional injuries 5.7%	Unintentional injuries 6.4%	Unintentional injuries 14.2%	Stroke 6.5%
4	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 5.5%	Stroke 4.4%	Stroke 4.9%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 5.9%	Chronic liver disease 5.0%	Unintentional injuries 5.2%
5	Stroke 4.4%	Diabetes 4.3%	Homicide 4.9%	Stroke 4.2%	Diabetes 4.8%	Diabetes 3.7%
6	Diabetes 2.9%	Chronic liver disease 3.7%	Diabetes 3.7%	Diabetes 2.7%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases (6)3.8% *** Suicide (6)3.8%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 3.6%
7	Suicide 2.3%	Homicide 3.6%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 3.1%	Suicide 2.5%		Influenza & pneumonia 3.1%
8	Influenza & pneumonia 2.1%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 2.6%	Kidney disease 2.7%	Alzheimer's disease 2.2%	Stroke 2.9%	Suicide 2.4%
9	Alzheimer's disease 2.0%	Suicide 2.5%	HIV disease 2.6%	Influenza & pneumonia 2.1%	Homicide 2.4%	Kidney disease 1.9%
10	Kidney disease 1.9%	Perinatal conditions 2.1%	Septicemia 2.0%	Kidney disease 1.8%	Influenza & pneumonia 2.3%	Hypertension 1.3%

\*Percentages represent total deaths in the age group due to the cause indicated. Numbers in parentheses indicate tied rankings. The white, black, American Indian/Alaska Native, and Asian/Pacific Islander race groups include persons of Hispanic and non-Hispanic origin may be of any race. Some terms have been shortened from those used in the National Vital Statistics Report. See the next page for a listing of the shortened terms in the table and their full unabridged equivalents used in the report. To learn more, visit *Mortality Tables* at [http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nvss/mortality\\_tables.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nvss/mortality_tables.htm) or <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/deaths.htm> (HHS, CDC, NCHS).